# GREENLAW'S CROWD

Who Came in for a Game 1s Thrown Out.

And the Entire Party Asserts picked it up and put it in his pocket. Self-respect by Resenting It.

#### By DAVID A. CURTIS.

\*Doggone vo ornery hide, Joe Bassett! Wot in 'ell's the use o' havin' house rules Wyo' all is gwine to cavort round like with a bow an' arrer," exclaimed old man Greenlaw in high dudgeon

There was no mistaking the fact that he was considerably annoyed, nor would any disinterested spectator have been likely to blame him very severely for

Mr Bassett, under ordinary circumstances, was rather careful in the use of firearms, having been accustomed to carry and use them from his youth up and being well aware of the serious and even disastrous consequences that not infrequently ensue when they are handled recklessly. Moreover, he was not a man to inflict an injury on another without design, being too fully aware of the satisfaction to be derived from doing it on purpose to forego willingly the zest eliberate accomplishment. He greatly enjoyed personal conflicts and was not averse to the exercise of extreme measures when he was engaged in them, but when nothing occurred to arouse his desire for strife he was usually harmless enough.

There was, however, a certain strain of recklessness in his makeup which uld sometimes manifest itself rather unpleasantly for those in his immediate environment when he was under the influence of strong drink. As he was well occustomed to that in large amounts, however, and was not subject to its influence so far as could be discerned unless the amount was extraordinarily large, this seldom occurred.

The occasion which aroused old man Greenlaw's remonstrance came as climax to a determined effort he had made to consume personally all the strong liquor there was. The cause which imspelled him to make the effort was too remote to require telling in connection with this climax, but the effort had been prolonged through a period of considerable duration and Mr. Bassett's mental equipoise was more or less disturbed In short he was drunk.

When Mr. Bassett was drunk those around him were inclined to allow him a wide latitude of expression in word and deed. The prevailing sentiment with him, but the feeling old man Greenlaw had, which was also the feeling of even extreme intoxication was an alto- of the occasion gether sufficient excuse for his coming blank in the direction of Sam Pearsall.

Pearsall was his personal friend and nor was there any grievance so far as would not have been likely to occur if his physique had not been affected together with his mentality by his potations, but his intent was evident. Beyond doubt he had intent was evident. Beyond doubt he had erred. Bassett's own demeanor on had intended to kill Pearsall and this manufacture.

Almost instantly he perceived that he had erred. Bassett's own demeanor on had intended to kill Pearsall and this manufacture.

But Flora McFlimsy of Boulevard Mich. Dispenses with ev'ry superfluous stitch. And clad in a single disphanous gown had erred. Bassett's own demeanor on had intended to kill Pearsall and this physique had not been affected together with his mentality by his potations, but emed unreasonable.

missed Pearsall, though too narrowly grazed the old man's knuckle, his hand tion properly, it was handled for him. being on the bar at the time in the direct contents of which ran to waste.

was inclined to blame the old man for that the old man had, as he intimated quette was. in his hasty utterance, established a nothing short of an emergency justified some jocularity. an infraction of this particular rule. And

a regard for him as warm as that which comic. they felt for Bassett, were inclined to be construed the act as one in which he had a personal and peculiar interest.

It is altogether likely that he would himself have entered an objection of some an explanation of the act itself, but as the the gent was borned thataway. 'Cordin'to old man had taken it up he remained quietly in his seat, watchful of developeasily excited, and as he was uninjured to see if I c'd set in to a game o' poker, be esteemed himself fortunate.

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It is somewhat doubtful whether Bassett heard the words which had been addressed to him, but whether or not he did, they did not move him to any expression of regret or apology. Having disenarged his gun, he stood looking at Pearsall waveringly, as if expecting to see him topple over and fall from his chair.

Seeing presently that nothing of that sort occurred he assumed an expression of surprise and disappointment, and cocked his revolver again. The appearances indicated that it was his intention to shoot again, and it was felt that this would be utterly inexcusable. If he should make eading propose, there was no guarantee withat he would not follow that up by attempting a general slaughter. and they are dependently to see if I c'd set in to a game o' poker, but 'pears like I ain't none too pop'lar round here. I reckon I'll be trav'lin'."

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"Pears like it's mo' r less of a pity to see good money goin' to waste like that." said the old man regretfully, as he watched the stranger picking himself up and limping away, "but they is c'nsiderations what's even mo' 'mpo' tant 'n draw poker. I wouldn't never 'ab had no self-respect if he'd been let place

amount of enjoyment, and no one felt cut," said Bassett.

that he was entitled to the pleasure, but it was not intended that his pleasure should be unalloyed.

REFUSES TO PLAY but before the nearest man could get The movement was a very sudden one, close enough to grapple with the most redoubtable fighter in the Southwest old man Greenlaw reached over the bar And the Temerarious Stranger and tapped him on the wrist with his hungstarter

The exact amount of violence neces sary for the blow to accomplish the desired result was calculated with great nicety and the desired purpose was neatly accomplished. No bones were broken, INSULTS BASSETT but the wrist was temporarily disabled and the revolver fell to the floor before the second shot could be fired. Pearsall

Even then there remained a doubt as to whether Bassett would pull anothe gun with his left hand and prolong the pastime, and the old man poised his bungstarter again in readiness for another blow in case it should be needed, while the others looked with earnest care to see if further action on their part would be required.

But somewhat to their surprise and greatly to their relief Mr. Bassett made no attempt to do anything further of an unfriendly character. There was no desire on the part of any one there to treat him despitefully, though they fully intended to proceed against him with as much violence as his own actions would call for simply as a measure of self-protection, and it was a relief to find that no further steps of the kind were required. They liked Bassett and did not wish to manhandle him. Moreover, they realized that it would not be easy for them

to do it even by combining their efforts. They were therefore well satisfied to observe that the current of his thoughts had been diverted. Commonly such an attempt as the old man had made to thwart him would have increased his ardor and he would have persisted in his original purpose regardless of all resistance. In this case, however, it seemed apparent that he realized the real friendship that had prompted so violent an interference.

He looked at the old man first in great astonishment, as if expecting some expression of contrition, or at least some disclaimer of hostile intent. Finding that nothing like that was to be expected, but that the old man's face was a clear indication of his stern disapproval, he looked at the others wonderingly.

Their faces were also indicative of great disapprobation and his own features graadully assumed a grieved expression. Then he began to cry.

At this particular moment a stranger entered the saloon. Approaching the bar with an aggressive swagger he said, "Let's liquor."

Ill timed as his intrusion was, the potent magic of the familiar words served to relieve the tension, which was becoming somewhat painful. Old man Greenlaw laid aside the bungstarter, which he was still holding in his hand ready for any further use which might seem advisable. and busied himself with glasses and bottles. And the others, including Bassett, promptly lined up in readiness to partake of the fluid of good fellowship.

The traces of tears remained on the seemed to be that it was not well worth latter's rugged countenance, even after while to interfere or even to expostulate he had taken his drink. Mastering his emotions with a manful effort, however, he spoke somewhat thickly indeed but the others in the saloon, was that not with intelligent perception of the courtesy

"Filmup 'gain," he said, and the in as he had done and shooting point stranger, observing him somewhat closely, was moved to a most unusual utterance

"I reckon," he said, with entire disthere had been no quarrel between them, regard of his own status in the party. which plainly disqualified him from earsall or any of the others knew which offering any criticism, "I reckon yo' all she she might have given rise to so emphatic is done had nigh 'bout 's much 's yo' c'n an expression of dislike. It was true carry, c'nvenient." And he winked at that he had missed his aim, a thing that old man Greenlaw with an expression of And yet she complained she had nothing to would not have been likely to occur if his ribald mirth, while an unseemly grin

had intended to kill Pearsall, and this the receipt of this serious affront was of itself proof to his friends that there Says Fiora McFlimsy; "I leave it to you. Of itself that was enough to justify old was more or less truth in what had been man Greenlaw in speaking as he did, or it said, for instead of blazing with wrathful seemed so to the others, but there was resentment he burst out crying again. additional cause. The bullet had indeed It was evident enough that he was not himself, but though he was strangely for that gentleman's comfort, but it had incapacitated from handling the situa-

"'Tain't reckoned fittin' in Arkansas line of fire, and had inflicted a painful City," said the old man sternly, "fo' no though not a severe wound. And it had stranger to butt in with onmannerly destroyed a bottle of good whiskey, the remarks 'bout nothin' 't's did. If yo all don't like it, yo' c'n git to hell oute Under the circumstances no one in here, an' the quicker yo' gits, the better the place with the exception of Bassett 't'll be fo' yo'."

"I didn't mean no offence," said the speaking severely. It was considered stranger half laughingly. It was easily entirely proper that Bassett should be seen that he was taken aback at the rebuked, the more especially as he was rebuke, but it was also clear that he thoroughly well acquainted with the fact failed to see how serious his break of eti-

"Don't make no diff'rence what was A house rule against the use of firearms on meant. Offence was took," growled the premises. It was true that none of the Pearsall indignantly, and the stranger others showed his prejudice against the glanced at him quickly as if to see whether practice of shooting when shooting he would be immediately attacked. Findseemed desirable, but it was realized ing that Mr. Pearsall, though unmistakthat as the proprietor of the saloon it ably angry, was still unready for active was his prerogative to establish the rules hostility, he made the further mistake governing the place, and they held that of trying to carry the matter off with

"I done said how I didn't mean nothin this instance no emergency existed. in'," he observed, "but 'peared like it was More especially did Pearsall approve some funny fo' to see a gent as big as him the utterance. Jake Winterbottom and with a cryin' jag on. Mebbe I didn't Jim Blaisdell, entertaining as they did ought fo' to said nothin', but it sho' is

"Yo' all 'pears to be some bughouse," ndignant at the latter for his wanton exclaimed the old man hotly. "Th' ain't disregard of the ties of friendship, and nobody here got no cryin' jag, nor no even of common courtesy, but Pearsall other kyind of a jag on. This yere's a respectable house an' they ain't nothin' like that never 'lowed into it." And he picked up his bungstarter again.

"Oh, well." said the stranger despairsort, even if it had been only to demand ingly, "I reckon I ain't got no eyes. Mebbe 'pearances he'd nachully be took fo' a man what'd done drinked hisself foolish. ments, but saying nothing. He was not but o' co'se he ain't. I done come in fo but 'pears like I ain't none too pop'lar

which the would not follow that up by attempting a general slaughter, and they were not prepared to submit to that.

Accordingly there was a general movement toward a mixup. It was realized that this would afford Bassett a great that this would afford Bassett a great that the submit to the submi

#### POEMS WORTH READING. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

The Sign in the Sky. [Upon seeing the lighted cross on St Augustine's Church, Houston street, New New York city.]

In Volume VI, of "Notable Americans" (edited by Dr. Rossiter Johnson) we find the following concerning John Paul Jones and his flag:

"In 1775 he was commissioned senior First Lieutenant, and it was about this time that he assumed the name of Jones, sithough his reason for so doing is not definitely known. It is supposed that he did so because of his admiration for the wife of Willie Jones of North Carolina. He was second officer on the Alfred, and as Lieut Jones he was the first naval officer to hoist the American naval flag under a salute of thirteen guns. This flag then constituting the value of the honors. The salute of thirteen guns. This flag then constituting the value of the honors. The salute of thirteen guns. This flag then constituting the value of the honors. Each night, like augury of ancient time, It leaps ablaze into Cimmerian skies; A beacon burning for all lifted eyes, he radiant emblem of a love sublime; It flowers into flame from out the grime Of shabby streets that reek of human stles bloom from roots embedded in black Symbol of Christ, before thee suns are dim

Kindled on Calvary, blazed for Constantine, Through ages purging man of earthly Until in grace he equals cherubim, At heaven's altar, lo, the glorious sign: God's monstrance—an illuminated cross! DANIEL E. WHEELER.

Her Answer to Hawall. When he asks, "Will you have me?"
Asks that world old question out there midsea, Would you know what term she uses,

The word the feminine chooses
In Hawaii? Where the girl of orthodox U. S. A. Vows, "I'll be yours forever and aye!" Island maiden whispers, "Ae!" Those two letters all she needs for reply.

Where the girl of orthodox U. S. A. Proffers, "I'll be a sister." as a kindly nay The girl beneath the paim tree Regretfully, gently murmurs, "Aole!"
In Hawaii.
KATHERINE POPE.

In Hawaii.

The Melting Pot.

Fling them all in the melting pot.
Native and strange to these harboring shores. Where the scarlet fires are flaming hot

And the noise of the conflagration roars Foreigners, citizens, gather here Drawn by the light and held in thrall; Moths that out of the darkness appear

To answer headlong the fateful call. nd some are dragged from the hills of pride; And some are lifted out of the ditch. The lowly and noble, poor and rich

Seething and bubbling side by side And some bring thrift and brains and skill And cast them all in the common store; And some bring sloth and the sins that kill combatant emblem of a brave and honest That into the fusing caldron pour

It levels them all like the leveller, death, That brings to one semblance all who live; And out of the furnace a common To each that riseth again doth give.

well it is for the crawling beast That is graded up from the slime of the town; But alas, for the soaring dreams that have

In the generous soul that is melted down. M. E. BURLER.

## Intima.

From the Saturday Review When she sleeps, beneath each lid. Worlds of treasure do lie hid; When she wakes, beneath each eye Rarer treasures still do lie.

When she's silent lovely sound Underneath her lips is bound; When she speaks, behind each word Loveller music lies unheard.

Whether she do wake or sleep Say fair words or slience keep: Singing sweetly, her fair soul Robes her in an aureole. G. Rostravor Hamilton.

## "Nothing to Weer."

From the Chicago Tribune Miss Flora McFlimsy of Michigan Boul. In spite of hot weather is perfectly cool. She has it all over her namesake, the fair Miss Flora McFlimsy of Madison Square,

Lamented the fact she had "nothing to wear."

Miss Flora of eld bought her dry goods in Paris:

She shopped (you recall) with her friend May 13, 1889, at the age of 33. The incidents were subjected to an indecisive dents were subjected to an indecisive court review. In the course of a private of the end that the morale of the relator, to the end that the morale of the department min his hand and takes an ace from the table to make the seven into an eight. Is this allowed?

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Grow fine by degrees and delightfully less,

Until like the dame
Of evergreen fame.
You really have nothing whatever to wear,
Excepting a hank of remarkable hair.
And should you appear as Lady Godlva,
We'll stand on the corner and hand you a
"Viva!"

## Elected.

From the Youth's Companion stone beneath the sculptor's hand d out in agony: master, spare the blows; n no more endure!"

Prom all the blockmouth

Did I choose thee.

Beneath thy contour rough I saw
A form of beauty and of majesty:
A shape that should lead men to say.

To see it is to draw near heav'n.
Oh, then be brave!
He whose destiny is high.

He must the more endure."

KATE DEBANT BULMAN.

The List.

From Judge A bat, a ball, a mask, a mitt, A track suit and three sweaters. A punching bag, a golf outfit, A sheaf of coeds' letters;

A volume on biology,
A nose at football broken.
A buildog and a family tree
Of which we'd had no token;

Five suits to wear upon the street, A dress suit, a Tuxedo. Ten pairs of shoes, one pair of feet, The fine nickname of "Speedo";

A look of satisfaction,
A mode of speaking quite unique,
A breach of promise action;

A mackinaw that fairly yelled. Of tangoes quite a knowledge, note explaining why expelled— These Jack brought home from college WALTER G. DOTT.

The Call of the Wild. know a place where the fern is deep.
And the giant fir waves high,
and a rocky ledge hangs dark and eteep.
And a laughing brook leaps by,
and it's there to be with a soul that's fri
From the street's discordant jar,
lith a blanket spread on a cedar bed,
And the voice of the world afar. Prom Leslie's Weekly.

know of a pool in a leafy dell
That the wary trout love best,
and a timid trail to the chaparral
Where the red deer lie at rest.
Inght bird's call when the shadows fall
And a cougar's eerie cry.
A silence deep, and a dreamless sleep
Under the open sky.

The eyes are windows of the soul. But still they hardly count;

The mouth may utter wisdom's words, It won't to much amount. But whether it is booked or pug. Or Greek or Roman found. t is the nose, the puissant nose. That makes the world go round

We know had Cleonatra's nose Possessed a shorter length.
It would have changed the face of earth By virtue of its strength.

And even now when used to eat

We find it is the case The noses of the suffragettes

fred, a small converted merchantman,

these conflicting records. Dr. SYNTAX.

folk fighting to be free; of course I had

discarded for one much more symmetrical

to the text, 'For the ox-ah knoweth his

master and the ass-ah his owner's crib-

ah." This is far away from the proverb

of the gored ox, but perhaps some friend

can identify the source of the sermon.

The text is published in some one of the

many Dick & Fitzgerald speakers, but

Indebtedness to several friends who have supplied the rhymed syntax is grate-

the history is apparently undetermined.

Three little words we often see-

A Noun's the name of anything.

Adjectives tell the kind of Noun.

As, Great, Small, Pretty, White or Brow

Her head, His face, My arm, Your hand

To Read, Write, Count, Sing, Jump or Run

How things are done the Adverbs tell,

A Noun, as, In or Through a door

The Interjection shows surprise

As, Oh, how pretty! Ah, how

Conjunctions join the Nouns together

As, men And children, wing Or weather

These, then, are the Nine Parts of Speech,

There are a number of words in the English language of the same pronuncia-tion, spelled differently, but having various

meanings, for instance, to, two and too In writing the sentence, there are three "twos" in the English language, is it cor-

rect to use the word "twos" as I have in both instances? A. H. L.

There are three words in the English lan-

tions, but failed to find it. It begins:

But there are not three twos at all.

Which reading, writing, speaking teach

As, Slowly, Quickly, Ill or Well.

A Preposition stands before

Instead of Nouns, the Pronouns stand-

Are Articles, A, An and The.

As, School or Garden, Hoop or

of the piece.

SCHOOL FOR CARD PLAYERS.

salute of thirteen guns. This flag then consisted of thirteen stripes, alternating red and white, with a rattlesnake undulating across the folds and the motto 'Don't Tread On Me' underneath."

Tread On Me' underneath."

Suit should be shown in case the third viding for their stricter enforcement."

The court has asked to be excused from answering the questions and in its opinion what to lead. But with eight losing cards in the hand it is nothing wonderful, and

"\" isolemn occasion' as those words are in the hand it is nothing wonderful, and never worth more than a one trick bid on the first round.

used in the Constitution does not seem to have arisen. There does ot appear to the first round.

In Appleton's "Cyclopedia of American Biography" we find (Volume III., page 468): "Jones was named as the senior First Lieutenant. He sailed from Delaware River in the Alfred in February, 1776." W. F. S. says: The dealer holds four hearts to the king ten; jack of spades three small diamonds and five clubs to the The Americana," Volume IX., gives the following:
"On 7 Dec., 1775, he was appointed
a Lieutenant in the new Continental

One spade. There are not tricks enough a Lieutenant in the new Continental navy and was ordered to the Alin the hand for no trumps, and not tops can be said that a 'solemn occasion' enough for a club.

Commodore Hopkins's flagship, on which, in the latter part of December, he had the honor of hoisting with his own hands the first naval flag of an American squad-M. A. L. says: Eight ladies tried to play a duplicate match according to the schedule used in the league contests, and it took us three hours to play the original boards. In the evening on the overplay we found we were playing the same ron. This was the famous yellow silk banner with a rattlesnake and perhaps a pine tree emblazoned upon it, with the significant legend "Dont Tread On Me!" hands by the same players, and all our work went for nothing. What is the trouble? We got it in Work's book, page on the students of history in your list of courteous correspondents trou to set forth the facts of the history in 388.

There is no original play at one sitting It is quite well established that Jones and duplicate at another. Mr. Work was was First Luff of the Alfred when writing for those well acquainted with the flag was hoisted on a day later than the methods used in league matches and the flag was hoisted on a day later than the methods used in the method in the met sion for the delay was the putting of the sition two hands are dealt at each table one suggestion to be made. In his conship into commission by the commander and played. They are then exchanged, curring memorandum Judge Werner says earnest expression of an accountant in chief, Esek Hopkins. The Navy League table for table, so that if table A plays Journal is authority for the statement that trays 1 and 2 while table B plays trays 3 it was a yellow silk flag bearing upon it and 4, after the exchange table A will tion was not clearly expressed that sub"a lively representation of a rattlesnake get 3 and 4, while table B gets 1 and 2, division 1 of section 1930 of the Penal Law and the motto 'Don't Tread On Me.' " Ac- and after this overplay the scores are and the motto Don't Tread On Me." Ac- and after this overplay the scores are cording to our most recondite authority, compared and the whole four hands may itative—the matter should be brought to Peleg D. Harrison, the date of the incl- be shuffled and dealt for deals 5 to 8. dent is not accurately established and it

is not known certainly what flag Jones raised, only that it was one of the rattle-snake designs. Commodore Jones in his journal wrote: "I could never see how or journal wrote: "I could never see how or of the other ends, and then, as A is Dominoes. J. C. J. says: The ends are why a venomous serpent could be the about to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play this State offences committed to play, observes the false play the play that the play the play the play that the play the play that the play the play that the play the play the play that the play the play the play the play the play that the play the play that the play t no choice but to break the pennant as it was given to me; but I always abhorred the device and was glad when it was fault as A.

As B played to the laise domino with out correcting either the play or the was given to me; but I always abhorred score, it must stand, as he is as much in the device and was glad when it was fault as A.

Cribbage, H. H. G. says: Two hand, A as well as appropriate a year or so playing first, lays down his cards in this order: 4 A 2 3; while B plays them in the order of 4 6 5 4. What is the correct

Recently in conversation with some pegging? B gets a pair of fours and then a fifteen. about twenty (20) years ago there was a man in this city named Irving Bishop who could and did tell the passing thoughts in the minds of doctors got up for the purpose. That after a certain length of time he went off into a travel.

for the purpose. That after a certain length of time he went off into a trance which would last for eight or nine hours.

The joker is never the best of any suit ism of the mountebank that no satisfactory determination was ever made of the nature and extent of the powers which he with it while he holds any of the suit led. | conduct itself was admitted. exercised. As is so frequently the case with

Cassino. H. L. says: A has built a No, because an opponent's build can be review.

exhibition he was seized with a coma, increased only by cards from the playofforts to restore consciousness failed er's hand, not from the table. The reain Johnson vs. State that "where a newsand he was pronounced dead by compe- son for this rule is to give the player paper man visited the defendant in tent physicians. Without consent of his whose build is increased a chance to get three times within twenty-four hours after kin an autopsy was performed. His it back if he happens to have the card the coroner's inquest over the body of the mother secured the arrest of the medical that will fit or to increase it further if one whom defendant was accused of kill-men who performed the autopsy they men who performed the autopsy, they were brought to trial, the jury disagreed

Card Distribution. E. T. H. says: A bets that if one of four players holds five of a suit, the whole pack being in play, he is more likely to find four in one hand against him than to find the suit split 3, 3, 2. Is there any way to settle such a bet; if so, what is the answer?

defendant that he would have no pence or hope of salvation unless he confessed, and stated that he, the newspaper man, was a spiritualist and could look into the defendant's heart and see the crime which he had committed, a confession thereby secured was not voluntary, which means proceeding from a spontaneous operation. and the indictment was allowed to lapse. Many, very many years ago somebody preached a temperance sermon which be-came famous as "The Ox Sermon." Per-haps it would answer "A. B.'s" query as

to "It makes a difference whose ox is gored." I think that was the text. The sermon was printed as a leaflet and had wide circulation. E. K. Bird. There are 155 ways in 1,000 in which a suit may be distributed 5, 3, 3, 2, as fluence of an extraneous cause. against 303 ways in which one of the But was the ox sermon directed against three other players might hold four or tippling? A memory not particularly keen more. This would include all the distributions from eight in one hand to 5, of plaintiff's husband from typhoid fever at his home. He went one day to buy 4 4 9 and 5, 5, 3, 9. in homiletics recalls that pulpit address, the effort of some Bossuet of the back-4. 4. 0 and 5, 5, 3, 0. woods, as a rambling sermon of sound rather than sense, but always recurring

publication of the rules. Seven cards stantly absent from home and of necessity are dealt to each player and pairs may drank water at places supplied with un- yard. be held with five card straights, the straight with a pair beating any straight dence left the cause of the fever conjecwithout a pair. Six of a straight or flush diet for the defendant.

The best posThe court said: "It appeared from the sible hand is four of a kind and a trip-plaintiff's testimony that typhoid fever funny look and it was all off. He was let, which beats a royal flush and a pair, is caused by a specific germ that may be afraid the dogs might not be content and the other combinations are ranked fully acknowledged. It seems better synin the same way.

tax than prosody, which stimulates all the more curiosity as to the author and source three hand auction, one of the players hesitates about his bid and the third man,

> there seems to be no standing rule for it, but the fairest way to settle it would holds in Teeter vs. Horner Military School it, but the fairest way to settle it would that "where a private school, according seem to be to bar the man who turned the to its catalogue, required the payment of widow from bidding at all and to set him tuition in advance, and the catalogue was back 100 points or so as penalty, allowing the two others to go on bidding with school, the parent was liable for full tuition. the widow turned up. To force a player notwithstanding the expulsion of the child with perhaps a 400 hand to a new deal open the door for unfair play.

Backgammon. N. T. J. says: A bets that in setting up the men the inner table must always be to the left of the player who has the white pieces. Is there any rule for this? The inner table is always next the of taste.

light, no matter on which side of the players it may be.

Poker, H. E. says: A deals and B is age when C straddles. All the others come in and the three named make good. Who has the first bet after the draw C bets first, as the age never passes. The effect of the straddle ends with the making good of the antes and its only effect is to increase them. giving the straddler the last say as to whether or not he will come in for the full amount.

H. T. says: Playing all jacks, every-edy drops out but the opener. Is he guage which have the sound of the word two, which is entirely a different matter. opening qualification? Can you or any of your readers supply

That depends on whether any one came the words of the old Irish song or cometions, but failed to find it. It begins:

"Let grasses grow and waters flow in a when he opened it, he shows his whole free and pleasant way."

J. F. hand, as no one has drawn any condense of those interesting them in the warm mother port and there will be nothing to it."

NOVEL POINTS OF THE LAW.

Under the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts the Supreme Judicial Court of the State may be required by the Legislature to give its opinions to the legislators "important questions of law and upon solemn occasions." The egislature recently asked the court for an "exposition of the Constitution relating to the powers mistake of bidding two hearts on hands of taxation" and sent to t e court a mes-like this, to show that they want hearts sage from the Governor which calle the court's attention to "the unsatisfactory conof either changing those laws or pro-

> be present legislation proposed to which attention has been gravely directed. The general court need not have decided to enact a particular bill before the opinion of the Justices can be required. But a definite enactment to a specific end must be under serious consideration before it been presented within the meaning of those words in the Constitution. An academic discussion of constitutional principles upon a subject so fundamental as that of taxation cannot be required. Preliminary investi-gation by the Justices of a governmental function involving many practical considerations of policy without the formulation of a definite plan for a proposed statute is not within the duty ascribed to them.

The Court of Appeals in People vs. Arenstein decides that an indictment will no lie in this State for a crime committed partly within and partly without the State. Concerning this ruling the New York Law

Legislature to make a crime of the facts set forth in the indictment.' If an intenshould have the force of substantive lawthe attention of the Legislature immediately upon its convening next winter and pressed by the bar throughout the State to the end that an explicit and unmistak-

In Peter Barrett Manufacturing Company the vs. Everett E. Wheeler the Court of Appeals

A stable keeper who takes horses for board and with them a truck for storage which has a chattel mortgage on it can acquire no lien on the truck as against the mortgagee for the board of the horses, but only for storing the truck, and if the board of the horses included storing the With his last card he gets a run of truck then he has no lien on it ahead of the mortgage.

The dismissal from the Police Depart T. H. K. says: We have a dispute as to how to count a seven, three eights and a nine. A says it is worth 18 and B in-

which would last for eight or nine hours. That after such time the said doctors pronounced him dead and performed an autopsy. That the relatives claimed he was not dead until the doctors carved him open. That the relatives of Bishop tried without success to have the doctors indicted. Be so kind as to tell me the facts and circumstances upon which this statement is based. Jack O'Sullivan.

Washington Irving Bishop was possessed days of a certain amount of psychical power. His career was so tangled with charlatan.

His career was so tangled with charlatan. quences. At all events it is not for the court reversing the judgment of the Commissioner to pronounce such conduct consistent with order and discipline. mining that it was of such a pature as to

sick and in fear of lynching, and told the defendant that he would have no peace proceeding from a spontaneous operation of the party's own mind, free from the in-

In Gosser vs. Ohio Valley Water Company the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania held that where, in an action for the death Peek Poker. L. C. D. asks if there is any description of this game in any of the text books, and if not, what it is. It is not popular enough to justify the and the testimony showed that he was contural, the court properly directed a ver-

communicated to the human system by water, milk, uncooked vegetables, fruit, uncooked shellfish, direct or indirect con-Pinochle. G. McG. says: Playing tamination and grains of dust in the air on their own premises, when moist, and that it develops in many three name actions the control of th

The Supreme Court of North Carolina on reasonable grounds, the rules also stipuwhen he was not in fault at all would lating that the tuition would be forfeited

Supreme Court Justice Lovely of Minnesota, in State vs. Olson, says that "it requires no great stretch of intelligence and is certainly not beyond the capacity of the ordinary policeman of our municipalities to recognize intoxicating liquor by the sense

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, Second Department, held in Bar-nard vs. Finkbeiner that the frequent use by a tenant on adjoining premises of loud profane and obscene language which could be heard by the family and patrons of the lessee of a theatre building may be the profited as a support of the lessee of a theatre building may be the mercet accident Bottler of the lessee of a theatre building may be the mercet accident Bottler of the lessee of a theatre building may be the mercet accident Bottler of the lessee of a theatre building may be the mercet accident Bottler of the lessee of the hoped there would be greater services he could not be the enjoined as a nuisance.

Senator Root has two mild manias, favors. One is to collect rare etchings and the other is to plant trees.

When he is at home on his ancestral estate up in New York he gets most of of thousand." his recreation out of going forth in H. T. says: Playing all bedy drops out but the opener. Is he bedy drops out trees. The place is already adorned with all the trees actually adorned with all the trees actually relief. needed, but Senator Root buys a great all-ye called "The good ould mountain in against him or not. If he has drawn many more of a wide variety each dew?" I have searched many collec- cards and is not called he shows openers year. He wants them not only for the

STATESMEN REAL AND NEAR.

By FRED C. KELLY.

One of the penalties of being President of the United States is having & doctor constantly at one's heels. Either an army or a navy physician is signed to stick around the White House and to guard the President's health.

Within a short time after he became President Mr. Wilson made Dr. Grayson his main companion. But he likes to have him around not because he is a doctor so much as in spite of the fact that he is a doctor. One reason for the President's attachment to Dr. Grayson lies in the fact that the doctor has little to say and usually does not talk until talked to. He has the gift of silence.

being an unsociable man and he likes polite conversation as well as anybody, but after working hard until the middle of the afternoon the President likes to sit back quietly in his auto without the need of using up any further energy in providing small talk for his companion. He may desire to talk a good deal, but he prefers to take the initiative in the matter himself. Besides, one may remark that the President has a knack at dropping off to sleep in a automo-

scenery and as wide awake as anybody but if it occurs to him that he would like to get a little sleep out of his system he can shut his eyes and lose consciousness almost before one could say Jack Johnson. Dr. Grayson looks much less like

a physician than one would expect. He is below average height, of rather

Ohio is a good lawyer with a great knack at plausible argument. Some years ago, when he was still in his twenties he defended a man on trial for able provision may be inserted in the Penal his mind. It is not an easy task to

> mistaken when he called himself guilty When the jury was out deliberating the prisoner turned to Goeke and said

"I was satisfied I was guilty, but that last argument convinced me that I wasn't.'

And he had. The man went free

Ambassador J. J. Jusserand of while ago and had themselves com-

dience who chanced to take note of a certain feature of the box party began to look at the box to the neglect of the show. Yet the Ambassadorial group spicuous as a box party could well be.

versation. He is a man of parts and achievements and never lacks for a word or a phrase. When he talks he gestures. staying qualities versational

but none was able to cope with him. Each in turn was driven back slowly but certainly to a conversational corner. Then another would try to the volley of wit and comment.

rapid conversation with him, but !! was noted that after a changed her seat with a look of de

Representative Frank T. O'Hair, who will soon be in the midst of trying to beat Joe Cannon again for Congress, maintains a large flock of collie dogs mind which one he liked best out of a group of four, and so he bought the entire quartet. Some of these have raised families and now O'Hair himself hardly knows how many collies he has in his

The last time he was home O'Hair went strolling about the streets of his town with most of his dogs following. An old man stopped him to discuss politics and remarked as they sep arated:

Well, Frank, you ought to feel reasonably sure of getting most of the collie vote."

Here is an instance of the difficulties of defeating for Congress a man who is already in:

When Representative William P. Borland came here as a member of the House from Kansas City two or three terms ago he fell into the practice of filing away the name of every man who wrote him a letter asking even

small package of radish seeds Borlan had his name placed on a card in his filing case. And in sending the seeds he also wrote a letter suggesting that he heped there would be ouer and greater services he could perform. When he ran for reelection it looked

By the merest accident Borland's camnames of people who had received

"Never counted them," said Borland, but there must be at least a couple

discovered that there were 10,000 or The campaign manager gave a sigh of

"They can't beat you," he said. "We'll send each one of those men a

President Wilson is a long way from

He may be riding along viewing the

Representative John Henry Goeke of

The man had confessed that he was gullty and then on reflection changed Law making criminal and punishable in convince a jury that a man is innocent this State offences committed partly in New when he himself has admitted his guilt, but Goeke undertook the job. He explained that the defendant was greatly

gravely:

natural prejudices, based on your inside knowledge of the case," said Goeke, "perhaps I convinced the jury

France and a small party of friends, including Ambassador Bakhmeteff of Russia, went to the theatre one night fortably incarcerated in a box. In a little while members of the au-

were as quiet and orderly and incon-The thing that attracted the attention of discriminating spectators was Mr. Jusserand's unconscious feat of excelling all others at between act con-

does so with enthusiasm and notite The others in the party seemed to realize their comparative lack of conworked in relays. One by one they tried to keep up with Mr. Jusserand.

it was no use. Eventually Mr. Jusse-For a time his wife tried to carry on

When he left home to come to Washington last winter O'Hair put his horse and cow out on a farm and was about to dispose of his collies similarly, but one of them happened to give him a away from home. That being the case hired a man to stick around and feed them and look after them right

the slightest favor. Even if a man asked only for a

paign manager learned of the file of

"How many are there?" he asked.

relief.

When the names were counted it was